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FOR AMBASSADOR BARNES FROM CHARGE

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TAGS: OTRA (AMBASSADOR HARRY G. BARNES, JR.), RO

SUBJECT: BARNES VISIT TO MOSCOW

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1. WE ARE DELIGHTED WITH YOUR PLANS, AND WILL BE PUTTING TOGETHER THE BEST PROGRAM WE CAN ALONG THE LINES YOU SUGGEST. TOM SIMONS IS CONTROL OFFICER FOR THE TRIP, AND WOULD LIKE TO ACCOMPANY TO KISHINEV UNLESS YOU THINK HE WOULD BE UNDER FOOT THERE.

2. REBECCA AND I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE ED MAINLAND STAY WITH US, AS OLD FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE, BUT JOE PRESEL WANTS TO PUT SOMETHING TOGETHER WHICH WOULD SATISFY ED'S PARA 4 INTERESTS, SO WE WILL BE KEEPING ONE OF ED'S EVENINGS OPEN FOR THAT PURPOSE.

3. BEFORE WE PUT IN FOR YOUR TRAVEL AND ONWARD RESERVATIONS, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE PASSPORT DATA FOR YOU BOTH, AND YOU MAY WISH TO GIVE SOVIET AMBASSADOR IN BUCHAREST A PREVIEW OF YOUR PLANS, INCLUDING TOURIST EMPHASIS AT KISHINEV. THE REASON I SUGGEST THIS IS THAT SOVIETS HAVE BEEN STICKY RECENTLY IN GIVING US OFFICIALS PERMISSION TO EXIT AT "UNUSUAL" BORDER POINTS. WHILE THEY WILL BE LESS INCLINED TO MAKE PROBLEMS FOR YOU THAN FOR OTHERS, IT WOULD SPEED BUREAUCRATIC PROCESS HERE IF YOU ARRIVED WITH PASS-
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PORTS VALIDATED BY THE SOVIET EMBASSY THERE FOR MOSCOW, KISHINEV

AND BORDER CROSSING POINT AT UNGENY. WE WOULD LIKE TO GO IN SOON
TO THE MFA ON YOUR BEHALF IN ANY CASE, SO LET ME KNOW HOW THIS
SUGGESTION SOUNDS TO YOU.
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